

**Declaration and Power of Attorney**

As below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Device and Method for Milking Animals**, bearing Serial No. 09/868,122, filed June 13, 2001.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. To the best of our knowledge, information, and belief the facts stated therein are true.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Netherlands Application No. 1010827 Filed December 16, 1998  
Netherlands Application No. 101028 Filed December 16, 1998  
PCT/NL99/00775 Filed December 15, 1999

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the following United States Applications listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this Application is not disclosed in the prior United States Application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

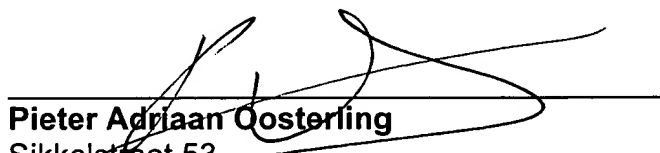
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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false

municate to Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples and other physical exhibits in our control or in the control of our heirs, legal representatives or assigns, which may be useful for establishing the facts of our conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we, Pieter Adriaan Oosterling and Jacobus Petrus Maria Dessing, have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals.

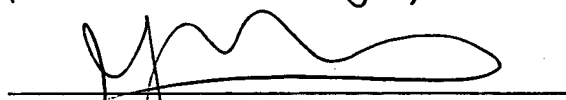
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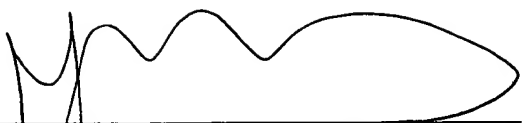
**Declaration of Witness**

I declare that I was personally present and did see Pieter Adriaan Oosterling, who is personally known to me to be the person named in this assignment, duly sign and execute the same.

Declared at Nieuw Vennep, on 19-7-, 2001.

  
Signature of Witness  
J. Dessing  
Name of Witness

12-8-2001  
Date

  
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**Declaration of Witness**

I declare that I was personally present and did see Jacobus Petrus Maria Dessing, who is personally known to me to be the person named in this assignment, duly sign and execute the same.

Declared at Vegheluwe, on 12.8, 2001.

  
Signature of Witness

G. A. Witten bogaart  
Name of Witness